

## EMBARGO ON CANADIAN CATTLE.

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EXTRACT from a Report of the Committee of the Honourable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General, on the 18th January, 1905.

On a report dated 14th January, 1905, from the Minister of Agriculture stating that his attention has been called to a report which has been published in several agricultural papers in Great Britain, particularly in the *Aberdeen Journal* in its issue of the 26th October, 1904, to the effect that at a public meeting held at Buchlyvie, in Sterlingshire, Scotland, on the 24th October last, the Right Honourable the Earl of Onslow, President of the Board of Agriculture, in speaking on the question of the embargo on Canadian cattle made use of the following words :—

‘If there was a strong feeling on the part of the Canadian people, that might weigh in their counsels, but he read the Canadian papers on this subject with great care, and gathered that they were quite satisfied with the removal of the stigma on Canadian herds. They suffered a great deal from what they believed to be a wrongful imputation that disease existed in Canada, and that being removed, they were quite content, they said.’

The Minister observes that if Lord Onslow is correctly reported, it is scarcely necessary to say that he is laboring under a grave misapprehension as to the state of Canadian feeling and opinion upon this subject.

The Canadian people are fully alive to the serious loss and waste inflicted on the cattle producers and shippers of the Dominion by the present regulations.

The Minister is of opinion that definite action ought to be taken to correct any impression to the contrary.

The Committee advise that His Excellency the Governor General be moved to forward a copy of this Minute to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, with a view to ascertaining the accuracy of the newspaper report above referred to.

All which is respectfully submitted for approval.

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Clerk of the Privy Council.



